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Docket No.: 101137-60  
Customer No. 27387

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION NO. : Not Yet Assigned  
APPLICANT : RENSEN et al.  
FILED : Herewith  
FOR : PREVENTION, THERAPY AND PROGNOSIS/MONITORING IN  
SEPSIS AND SEPTIC SHOCK  
ART UNIT : TBA  
EXAMINER : TBA

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December 22, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.